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SUBJ: VISIT TO USSR OF MITCHELL SHARP

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1. SUMMARY OTHER THAN MIDDLE EAST (REFTEL), SUBJECTS RAISED BY SHARP IN HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH GROMYKO AND KOSYGIN INCLUDED FAMILY REUNIFICATION AND OTHER HUMAN CONTACTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS MATTERS. GROMYKO MADE PITCH ON REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS. SOVIETS SOUGHT UNSUCCESSFULLY TO INCLUDE IN COMMUNIQUE PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND US-SOVIET AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR. END SUMMARY.

2. ACCORDING TO CANADIAN EMBASSY, STATE SEC FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SHARP REGARDED HIS NOV 18-24 VISIT TO USSR AS PRIMARILY PROTO-COLARY UNDERTAKING. IN HIS MEETING WITH GROMYKO NOV 19 HE RAISED SEVERAL MATTERS IN THE HUMAN CONTACTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD WICH ARE IMPORTANT TO CANADA: FAMILY  
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REUNIFICATION (SHARP EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION THAT THESE

EXIT CASES ARE BEING RESOLVED AND GAVE GROMYKO A NEW REPRESENTATION LIST); JEWISH EMIGRATION; DISSIDENTS; AND TREATMENT OF UKRAINIAN NATIONAL ASPIRATIONS. SOME OF THESE MATTERS WERE ALSO RAISED BY SHARP IN CONTEXT OF CSCE BASKET THREE DISCUSSIONS.

3. GYOMYKO DECLINED TO DISCUSS ABOVE ITEMS ON GROUNDS THAT THEYARE INTERNAL MATTERS, AND REPEATEDLY TOOK LINE ON CSCE BASKET THREE THAT THERE MUST BE APPROPRIATE PROVISIONS AGAINST INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND RESPECT FOR NATIONAL LAWS AND CUSTOMS. HE SINGLED OUT BASKET THREE DISCUSSION OF EXPANDED TOURISM, NOTING THAT PERVASIVE GERMAN TOURISM PRIOR TO OUTBREAK OF WW II DID NOT PREVENT WAR; SHARP RETORTED THAT NEITHER DID SIGNING OF BILATERAL TREATY. SHARP SAID THAT CANADIANS HAVE NO FEAR THAT EXPANDED CONTACTS WILL OVERTURN THEIR SOCIAL SYSTEM AND USSR SHOULD ALSO HAVE NO SUCH FEAR, BECAUSE ADVOCATES OF EXPANDED CONTACTS HAVE NO INTENTION OF UNDERMINING SOVIET SYSTEM; GROMYKO SAID THAT ON CONTRARY HE HAS IMPRESSION CANDADA IS TRYING TO DO JUST THAT BY MEANS OF CSCE.

4. COMMUNIQUE ON VISIT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED NOV 24. CANADIANS TELL US THAT THEY SOUGHT TO INCLUDE PASSAGE ON "HUMAN COOPERATION AND CONTACTS IN EUROPE." SOVIETS STRONGLY RESISTED, BUT FINALLY AGREED TO INCLUDE SUCH A REFERENCE IF "HUMAN" WERE OMITTED. SOVIETS SOUGHT TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND AN ENDORSEMENT OF US-SOVIET AGREEMENT ON PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR; CANDIANS REJECTED BOTH PROPOSALS.  
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